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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## Sir:

Preliminary to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

- Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.
  - A new Abstract appears on a separate sheet, page 3.
  - Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.
  - Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.